

## V. Special Needs Population

### A. Non-homeless Special Needs – Actions taken to address special needs of persons who are not homeless but require supportive housing

The Program Year 2005 Action Plan has six objectives which specifically address special needs services for Arlington residents. See “Overview of Progress in meeting 2005-2010 Consolidated Plan Objectives” in the Appendix for details. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and other resources are used by the City of Arlington and non-profit organizations to provide services to special needs residents.

- Architectural barriers were removed for 10 households with disabled and elderly residents through housing rehabilitation administered by the City.
- Case management and meals for the elderly and disabled were provided to 156 elderly citizens by Meals on Wheels and Senior Citizens.
- Special transportation services for 3,545 elderly and disabled residents were provided through the City’s Handitran program.
- Day habilitation, including social and recreational activities, was provided to 28 adults with mental and physical disabilities by Advocates for Special People.
- Case management for persons with HIV/AIDS, outreach, counseling, HIV testing, information and referral, and mental health services were provided to 228 individuals by the AIDS Outreach Center.
- Substance abuse counseling was provided to 111 individuals by Tarrant Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse.

<b>2005-2010 CONSOLIDATED PLAN PRIORITY NEEDS</b>		
<b>GOALS</b>	<b>PRIORITY</b>	<b>EXPENDITURE</b>
<b>SPECIAL NEEDS</b>		
<i>A. Housing Rehab for Elderly and Disabled</i>	HIGH	*40,358.14
<i>B. Case Management for Elderly and Disabled</i>	HIGH	\$56,694.00
<i>C. Transportation</i>	HIGH	-
<i>D. Day Habilitation for Disabled</i>	HIGH	\$47,381.00
<i>E. Case Management for HIV/AIDS</i>	HIGH	\$20,506.00
<i>F. Substance Abuse Counseling</i>	MEDIUM	\$27,297.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$192,236.14</b>

\* Included in total Housing Rehabilitation

A Special Needs Coordinator with the Arlington Housing Authority coordinated the provision of Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) to 15 households with special needs in Program Year 2005. These were households that included individuals with disabilities and homeless. Additional resources available for these special needs clients were the Supportive Housing Program and Shelter Plus Care. Shelter Plus Care houses homeless individuals with disabilities through a partnership between Arlington Housing Authority, AIDS Outreach Center, and Mental Health Mental Retardation of Tarrant County. The Arlington Housing Authority also operated the Section 8 Voucher program.

Affordable housing is provided to various special needs populations. Elderly residents are provided affordable housing through Arlington New Beginnings, Nuestro Hogar Apartments, The

Village at Johnson Creek, Parkland Pointe, and the North Arlington Senior Apartment Community. Housing for individuals with HIV/AIDS was coordinated through the AIDS Outreach Center, Samaritan House, and the Shelter Plus Care Program. Housing for persons with disabilities was provided through Arlington and Fort Worth VOA Living Centers, VOA Community Home and Scattered Site Duplexes, Arlington Villas, Parkview Homes, Hill Top Apartments, Northridge Apartments, Avalon Apartments, Running Brook Apartments, and Pineridge Apartments.

**B. Specific HOPWA Objectives – Not Applicable**